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**ESTABLISHMENT OF STORMWATER CONTROL AND  
RECAPTURE PLANNING AUTHORITIES IN CERTAIN  
COUNTIES**

**CHAPTER 378**

H.B. No. 995

**AN ACT**

**relating to the establishment of stormwater control and recapture planning authorities in certain counties.**

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Subtitle C, Title 12, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Chapter 391A to read as follows:

**CHAPTER 391A. STORMWATER CONTROL AND RECAPTURE PLANNING  
AUTHORITIES IN CERTAIN COUNTIES**

*Sec. 391A.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:*

(1) "Affected county" means a county that:

(A) has a population of 800,000 or more; and

(B) receives an average annual rainfall of 15 inches or less based on the most recent 10-year period according to data available from a reliable source, including the United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service or the PRISM Climate Group, Oregon State University.

(2) "Authority" means a commission established under this chapter.

*Sec. 391A.002. ESTABLISHMENT. (a) A stormwater control and recapture planning authority is established in each affected county in this state.*

*(b) An authority is a political subdivision of this state.*

*Sec. 391A.003. TERRITORY. The territory of an authority includes all of the territory in the affected county in which the authority is located except any territory within the boundaries or extraterritorial jurisdiction of that county's largest municipality, provided that the municipality has a plan in place for the control of stormwater on the date the authority is established.*

*Sec. 391A.004. BOARD OF DIRECTORS. The governing body of an authority is a board of directors composed of:*

(1) a representative of the county in which the authority is located and each municipality within the territory of the authority;

(2) a representative of each water utility within the territory of the authority not also described by Subdivision (1);

(3) a representative of each water district within the territory of the authority that has been in operation for at least 15 years; and

(4) each member of the state legislature whose legislative district is wholly or partly in the territory of the authority.

*Sec. 391A.005. POWERS AND DUTIES. (a) An authority shall:*

(1) coordinate and adopt a long-range master plan to facilitate the development and management of integrated stormwater control and recapture projects and facilities within the authority's territory;

(2) apply for, accept, and receive gifts, grants, loans, and other money available from any source, including the state, the federal government, and an entity represented on the board of directors under Sections 391A.004(1), (2), and (3), to perform its purposes; and

(3) assist an entity represented on the board of directors under Sections 391A.004(1), (2), and (3) in carrying out an objective included in the authority's master plan.

(b) The authority may:

(1) enter into contracts as necessary to carry out the authority's powers and duties; and

(2) employ staff and consult with and retain experts.

(c) The authority may not:

(1) impose a tax or issue bonds; or

(2) regulate the structures or facilities of an electric utility as "electric utility" is defined by Section 31.002, Utilities Code.

**Sec. 391A.006. EXPIRATION OF CHAPTER.** This chapter expires September 1, 2023.

**SECTION 2.** This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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## AUTHORIZING A FEE FOR COUNTY RECORDS TECHNOLOGY AND INFRASTRUCTURE COSTS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES

### CHAPTER 379

H.B. No. 1062

#### AN ACT

**relating to authorizing a fee for county records technology and infrastructure costs in certain counties.**

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

**SECTION 1.** Section 118.011(f), Local Government Code, as effective until September 1, 2019, is amended to read as follows:

(f) The county clerk of a county shall, if the commissioners court of the county adopts the fee as part of the county's annual budget, collect the following fee from any person:

(1) Records Archive Fee (Sec. 118.025) . . . . . not more than \$10

(2) Records Technology and Infrastructure Fee (Sec. 118.026) . . . . . \$2.00

**SECTION 2.** Section 118.011(f), Local Government Code, as effective September 1, 2019, is amended to read as follows:

(f) The county clerk of a county shall, if the commissioners court of the county adopts the fee as part of the county's annual budget, collect the following fee from any person: